

¿No Comprende?
Online Health Resources to help English Speakers
serve Spanish Speaking Communities



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Agenda

Session Two (February 16)

- Evaluating Spanish Websites– 30 min
- Quality Health Information in Spanish with examples – 1 hour
- Archived recordings: <http://nnlm.gov/mcr/education/online.html#A7>

Evaluation of Online Spanish Health Information

TIPS

- Alphabet is almost the same
- Language is similar
- You know more words than you think you do
- Photos and graphics can help you figure out what the site is about and the target audience
- Unreliable sites may have graphics of completely unrelated topics

Evaluation of Online Spanish Health Information

TIPS

"About us" information about the organization or author is usually under:

- Sobre nosotros
- Sobre
- Acerca de nosotros
- ¿Quiénes somos?
- Acerca de (Name of Organization)

❖ Not having an "About Us" section provides a clue to the level of quality.

Online Translators

TIPS

Use an online translator to translate the "About Us" section:

Babelfish: <http://babel.altavista.com>

Google: <http://translate.google.com/translate>

- Helps in getting the gist of the Spanish words
- Can translate words, sentences, paragraphs, or an entire site

Evaluation of Online Spanish Health Information

TIPS

There may also be an English version of the site:

- Look for the words *Inglés* or English
- Spanish versions of English pages may not be translated well or can be much more limited than the English version

Also, feel free to lead your patrons to the MedlinePlus Guide to Healthy Web Surfing, which is also in Spanish:

<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/spanish/healthywebsurfing>

ABCs of Evaluation

1. Currency
2. Affiliation
3. Authority
4. Bias
5. Audience



www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/evaluatinghealthinformation.html

Evaluation Criteria: **Currency**

Is there a date? What does the date represent?
(Remember that dates are displayed day.month.year)

- Is the information up-to-date?
- Is the update frequency apparent?
- Is it static or does it change regularly?
- Is currency necessary for this type of information?
- Look for the word "**Fecha**" meaning *date*
- Look for the word "**Actualizado**" meaning *updated*
- Look for the word "**Modificado**" meaning *modified*

Evaluation Criteria: **Affiliation**

- Affiliation = Publisher of the site
- What institution is connected to this information?
- Does the institution exercise quality control?
- Have you ever heard of this organization?
(Run the name through Babelfish/Google Translate)
- Does the organization have an English counterpart?

Evaluation Criteria: **Authority**

- Is information available about the author?
- Who is the author?
- Is the author the original creator of the information?
- What are the author's credentials? Education?
- Can you find a name where you would normally see an author's name on an English resource?

Evaluation Criteria: **Bias**

The screenshot shows a WebMD article page. Several elements are highlighted with red boxes to illustrate bias:

- Header:** "Learning to Treat Depression" and "Sponsored by Cymbalta" (Cilag, Inc.).
- Text:** "The following is a Sponsored Resource. The sponsor of this content has sole editorial control."
- Image:** A box around the "Learn about Cymbalta" button.
- Text:** "Cymbalta is approved for the treatment of depression." and "Cymbalta is indicated for the treatment of depression."
- Text:** "Although the exact way that Cymbalta works in people is unknown, it is believed to be related to an increase in the activity of serotonin and norepinephrine which are two naturally occurring substances in the brain and spinal cord. Cymbalta is in a class of medications called selective SNRIs (serotonin and norepinephrine reuptake inhibitors)."
- Text:** "Learn more about how Cymbalta may treat many of the symptoms of depression."
- Text:** "Cymbalta is not for use in children, adolescents, or young adults. It may cause an increase in blood pressure."

Evaluation Criteria: Audience

Who is the intended audience?

- Professionals
- General Public

Evaluation Activity

Healthfinder en español

www.healthfinder.gov/espanol/

www.google.com/language_tools?hl=en



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Consumer Health Information in Many Languages

- Cultural Competency Resources
- Multilingual health information
- Specific Languages including Spanish
- Glossaries by Language.

<http://nnlm.gov/outreach/consumer/multi.html>

What is a Promotora?

- LIVESTRONG in Spanish
– www.livestrongespanol.org
- Videos:
 1. <http://bit.ly/9cSQSD>
 2. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RMNq7p8-r1U>







Health Information Translations

Quality translations in multiple languages

Find Translations

Search By Keywords

Search

Search By Languages

Somali

Search ALL LANGUAGES

Disaster Preparedness

www.healthinfotranslations.com

ToxMystery

http://toxystery.nlm.nih.gov/

Online Health Resources

AIDSinfo en español (SIDA)
<http://www.aidsinfo.nih.gov/infoSIDA/>

- Online glossary of AIDS terms
- Search for clinical trials
- Search the drug database
- CDC brochures

Aidsinfo.net
<http://www.aidsinfo.net.org/?lang=spa>

Site funded by NLM's SIS and created in New Mexico

- Has resources and printouts of AIDS information in Spanish
- Divided into categories: prevention, nutrition, and medicines

National Cancer Institute

U.S. National Institutes of Health | www.cancer.gov

- For health professionals and consumers
- Beginning cancer tutorial
- Publications on different kinds of cancer

http://www.cancer.gov/espanol



Medical Spanish App Reviews

Most quality apps have to be purchased – they are not free!

 iTunes for ratings, reviews and downloading
<http://www.apple.com/itunes/>

 iPad/iPhone and Android medical app reviews by health care professionals
<http://www.imedicalapps.com>

 iPad, iPod, & iPhone app reviews from Macworld editors - and you! (in beta)
<http://www.macworld.com/appguide/index.html>

Reference Questions

- Can symptoms be entered into the search fields or do you need the actual medical condition name?
- <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/healthchecktools.html>
- <http://symptoms.webmd.com/default.htm>

Spanish in Our Libraries

Forms, Flyers, and User Instruction

- Brochure describing library services, with side-by-side Spanish-English translation
- Card application form, with side-by-side Spanish-English translation
- Library Internet guide, in Spanish, developed by Web maestra Ana Alvarez
- Learning to Use the Internet, in Spanish, by online doña Soledad Marquis
- Policy statement given to new cardholders, with side-by-side Spanish-English translation
- User guides to library Spanish
- Words and phrases for public

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| INTRODUCTION AND CREDITS |
| PHRASES FOR PUBLIC SERVICES STAFF |
| PHRASES FOR CIRCULATION STAFF |
| ADVANCED CONVERSATIONS |
| VERY BASIC WORDS |
| VOYABERARIO |
| KEY TO ORIENTATION |
| DEWEY DECIMAL CLASSIFICATION |
| LIBRARY OF CONGRESS CLASSIFICATION |
| LIBRARY SERVICES |

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By *Angela Siefert*

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